

# **DOES YOUR TASS BN/RTI REQUIRE TRAINING AMMUNITION ?**

**USAR:** Generally only the TASS BNs from MP, DSS, CM, HS, EN, NCOES (PLDC only), OD (55B only), PSS/CHAP, and CA/PO (37F only) Battalions with PH-2 Courses have POI-Required ammo.

ARNG: Generally the RTIs with Ph-2 Courses in either TASS BN (if applicable) or TASS Co (from the Gen Studies BN) from IN, FA, AVN (WAATS), AR, ADA, OD (RTS-M with 55B only) and NCOAs(PLDC only). For RTIs, all BN/Co ammo will be consolidated and managed under one UIC (ATRRS School Code).

TASS Proponent Courses currently WITHOUT POI Required Ammo: QM, SC, MI, TC, AVLOG, and CGSC/CAS3.

Our <u>PRIORITY</u> is always adequate ammo to support Reclass, NCOES, and OCS POIs... <u>IWQ</u> is limited to 5.56 qualification for enlisted soldiers only (for promotion point purposes). 9mm will not be used to IWQ officers and Sr NCOs in order to fully support our POIs. If 9mm IWQ is desired, suggest coordination with other local units (expenditure must also be under another unit's UIC).

All TASS ammo requests (DA Forms 581) are "approved" by TASSD after Review of TAMIS-R authorizations and forecasts. Do not forward 581s



#### **HISTORY**

Prior to FAST/TASS, Installation Level Ammo Mgmt for USARF Schools was by the CONUSAs and ARNG Schools was by the States. In FY93-94, during the planning phase of FAST (Future Army Schools 21) the predecessor to TASS, HQDA **ODCSOPs directed TRADOC to "manage" POI-required** training ammunition at TASS BN/RTIs. One major reason was to ensure that POI-required ammunition (for individual training) was given the same priority as STRAC-required ammunition (for collective training). There had been (and continues to be) examples of RC schools ammunition being "given" away at the last moment by ASPs to USAR/ARNG MTOE units that had "forgot" to get authorizations or submit forecasts.

In FY95, the test Regional Coordinating Element (RCE) "C" at Ft Jackson, began managing training ammunition for their TASS BN/RTIs. In FY96, the remaining six RCEs began managing all TASS BN/RTIs POI-required training ammunition. In FY01, the seven RCEs (1 per TASS Region), consolidated into four TASS Integration Elements at Ft



On 1 April 2002, the TRADOC Dep Chief of Staff for Education (DCSED) office was realigned under TRADOC DCST as The Army School System Directorate (TASSD). Soon after, the decision was made to thoroughly integrate TASS into existing TRADOC offices, therefore the TIEs would go away o/a 1 Oct 02 and TASSD would dissolve and integrate into existing DCSOPS&T and QAO elements o/a 1 Apr 03.

This brings about the current ammunition management consolidation from 4 to 1. TASSD will manage all TASS BN/RTI ammo until 1 Apr 03 and then be "integrated" into the HQ TRADOC (MACOM) level Ammo Mgmt office. This change should be completely transparent to TASS BNs with the current TASSD procedures in place remaining.

#### WHICH BRINGS US TO

The consolidated TASS FY03 Ammo Auths have been subauthorized to Unit (or UIC) level based on the Requirements that were entered on TAMIS-R in Dec01. Currently this is based on how the TIEs have been managing. We expect to eliminate DIV(IT)s and BDEs as "middle-men" and make each TASS BN/RTI responsible and deal directly with TASSD for all ammo management issues to include Requirements, Authorizations and Forecasts.

- This will require every TASS BN/RTI to have an Ammo Mgr with TAMIS-R access. If your unit "fires" only during AT then this duty should not require more than 6-10 hours TOTAL ANNUALLY. (this obviously excludes the actually "pick-up/turn-back" of ammo which is a log action). In fact, even if you are a full-time school, this operational ammo management should still only take 1 to 2 days annually with only additional time given after each firing period to submit issue/turn-in 581s and unused ammo back to TASSD.
- HQDA, HQ TRADOC and TASSD GOAL: Ammunition expenditure of more that 90% and less than 100%. Do not



# RADOC / TASS Training Ammunition ACCREDITATION\_

This is an interesting issue, since Proponents responsible for Accreditations apparently have <u>ZERO</u> visibility of current DoD/DA ammunition issues. In fact, we have several POIs with DODICs that have been "obsolete" from supply channels for years. In addition, POIs do not allow for world-wide shortages or world-wide safety/environmental moratoriums. POIs also don't "abide" by AR/TRADOC regulatory guidance to use historical expenditure rates to determine requirements/ authorizations. In addition, Accreditation Teams probably DON'T REALIZE that the Active Installations teaching IET/NCOEs are generally "short" the same DODICs by the same percentage as the TASS BNs.

Therefore, if your TASS BN/RTI "inputs" the requirements by DODIC by Quantity based on POI and current ATRRS Quotas (from last approved TRAP) and then, you do NOT receive 100% of your requirements, the "GIG" is a higher HQ (HQ TRADOC and HQDA) issue and not yours. (Of course the TASS BN/RTI should "notify" the Proponent of this prior to Accreditation Visit (waiver). If accreditation issues over ammo arises, Accreditation chiefs are to communicate with TASS Ammo Mgr.

# RADOC / TASS Training Ammunition DA FORMS 581 / UICs

Please be aware that your actual UIC may be different than that listed in TAMIS-R database; however, all expenditures MUST BE POSTED by ASP personnel to the TAMIS-R UIC. We expect to correct UICs in 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr 03 (system does not allow updates to UICs until Execution Year begins).

All 581s will be "authenticated" (approved) at TASSD. Expenditures posted to TAMIS-R UICs without 581 approved at TASSD will be investigated. Do not "back-door" any requests to your local/friendly ASP as this will cause your Commander to explain to HQ TRADOC why they just wrote a check without authorization. We will try our best to assist with any ammo issue - please just talk with us.



#### **TERMS:**

<u>REQUIREMENTS:</u> POI-Requirements are based on POI-Ammo Annex/Lesson Plans <u>TIMES (X)</u> Current projected ATRRS Quotas (based on current approved TRAP by "OPT" class size).

<u>AUTHORIZATIONS:</u> This is the amount of REQUIREMENTS that the MACOM (HQ TRADOC) "approves". Authorizations are generally 25-40% LESS than Requirements since:

- (1) Many items are short World-wide.
- (2) Some items may be currently unauthorized due to safety/environmental reasons.
- (3) MACOMs and Installation Level Ammo Mgrs (TASSD) are required (by DA and TRADOC Regulations) to use historical expenditure rates (ie: if Expenditure Rates are for previous 2-3 years are LESS than requirement, then the authorization will generally be cut to Expenditure Ave without hard/valid reasons.

<u>FORECAST</u>: Forecast is submitted to ASP(s) to order ammunition. Items must be forecasted within <u>LOCKOUT</u>
Period to ensure availability at required date. FORECASTED QUANTITIES <u>CAN NOT EXCEED</u> CURRENT AUTHORIZATIONS

(581c will not be approved)



#### **TERMS:**

LOCKOUT PERIOD: The official period of time in which unit may <u>NOT</u> increase forecasts in TAMIS-R due to <u>NOT</u> allowing ASPs enough time to requisition, receive, inspect, and store items. The standard CONUS LOCKOUT PERIOD for TRADOC Installations (FORSCOM & NGB may differ) is the first two (2) months of a forecast starting with the first day of the NEXT month.

#### **EXAMPLE:**

If today's date is 31 May 02, the earliest a change to forecast can be accomplished is 1 AUG 02 (1 Jun is the first day of next month + 1 more month = 1 AUG 02 (or 62 DAYS)

If today's date is 1 Jun 02, the earliest a change to forecast can be accomplished is 1 SEP 02 (1 Jul is first day of next month + 1 more month = 1 SEP 02 (or 92 DAYS)

After LOCKOUT Period closes, unit will be required to coordinate with TASSD and ASP "manually" to ensure items will be on hand. *Let's try* 



IWQ (Individual Weapons Qualification): TRADOCs <u>highest</u> <u>priority</u> for training ammunition authorizations is to support POIs. We will not degrade POI training for IWQ; however, we understand that enlisted personnel need IWQ for <u>promotion points (ARNG thru E9/USAR thru E6)</u>. Therefore, it is requested that officers, SGMs, and enlisted personnel yet to attend BCT not participate in IWQ and that requirements use a logical attrition figure in requesting 5.56 ball ammo (ie: base on projected enlisted strength at the time of IWQ (ie: Do not use authorized strength and use the normal non-attendance factor). <u>Generally, 9mm will not be authorized for IWQ</u>. Exceptions will be forwarded to TASS Ammo Mgr.

Additionally, history shows that while many TASS BN/RTIs request ammo for IWQ, overall it is normally expended at 50-60% ratio (ie: it sounds "nice" to think about IWQ 6-9 months out, but when the time approaches, it is time to prepare for AT or do other required tasks)



#### **TERMS:**

<u>"WASTED AMMUNITION"</u>: Ammunition costs BIG money even if it isn't visible at your level. Ammo that is authorized and forecasted must be shipped from depots/manufacturers to ASPs and then be inspected and stored. If your forecasted amount (which can't exceed authorizations) is not expended, and the amount is not returned back to TRADOC or HQDA for crossleveling and reforecasting prior to 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr each year, that excess amount was wasted since no other units were able to train with it that year.

OVERALL, WE INITIALLY RECEIVED 60% (\$11.5 mil vs \$19 mil) OF OUR REQUIREMENTS. OUR PREVIOUS 4 YEAR HISTORICAL EXPENDITURE AVERAGE IS only \$6.5 mil) (\*\*\* We are now "up" to 13.6 mil in Auths\*\*\*)

After authorizations have been issued, PLEASE REQUEST
ONLY THE ADDITIONAL QUANTITIES THAT YOU WILL EXPEND.
IF SITUATIONS OCCUR (WEATHER/LOW STUDENT
INPUT/OTHER) THAT ITEMS CANNOT BE USED, PLEASE NOTIFY
TASS AMMO MGR ASAP TO CROSSLEVEL TO OTHER UNIT'S

TA	SS Amr	no Stats - (1	TAMIS-	-R Data pulled 0207	24)	* NOTE: FY02 Data is thru 020724		
TIE	YEAR	FINAL AU	πн	FINAL EXPEND	INITIAL REQM'T	EXP F-AUTH	EXP I-REQMT	
Α	01	\$ 926,07	78.07	\$ 722,834.38	\$ 1,382,187.20	<b>78</b> %	<b>52</b> %	
В	01	\$ 331,18	30.00	\$ 267,390.87	\$ 34,550.68	<b>81</b> %	774%	RCE-A to TIE-McCoy /LOW REQMTS
С	01	\$ 701,34	15.96	\$ 535,212.44	\$ -	<b>76</b> %	#DIV/0!	RCE-C to TIE-J ack / LOW REQMTS
D	01	\$ 901,18	33.02	\$ 683,159.86	\$ 16,264.44	<b>76</b> %	4200%	RCE-D to TIE-J ack / LOW REQMTS
Ε	01	\$ 1,273,51	L8.91	\$ 1,056,499.95	\$ 241,550.05	<b>83</b> %	437%	RCE-E to TIE-McCoy / LOW REQMTS
F	01	\$ 1,035,56	57.28	\$ 1,043,019.25	\$ 2,201,804.43	<b>101</b> %	<b>47</b> %	Returned too much at EOY.
G	01	\$ 1,889,79	93.42	\$ 2,043,747.94	\$ 4,469,132.10	108%	<b>46</b> %	Returned too much at EOY.
		\$ 7,058,66	66.66	\$ 6,351,864.69	\$ 8,345,488.90	90% *1	<b>76</b> %	low Initial Requirements
Α	02	\$ 1,023,74	11.78	\$ 329,480.75	\$ 1,366,988.25	<b>32</b> %	<b>24</b> %	
В	02	\$ 1,360,35	53.25	\$ 317,755.57	\$ 610,557.69	23%	<b>52</b> %	
С	02	\$ 795,44	16.59	\$ 505,688.30	\$ 1,238,337.22	64%	<b>41</b> %	
D	02	\$ 1,494,04	19.50	\$ 596,385.71	\$ 2,316,638.60	<b>40</b> %	<b>26</b> %	
Е	02	\$ 1,233,92	26.21	\$ 479,105.58	\$ 1,456,083.35	<b>39</b> %	<b>33</b> %	
F	02	\$ 1,840,14	17.67	\$ 578,588.19	\$ 2,978,649.27	31%	<b>19</b> %	
G	02	\$ 3,304,59	96.79	\$ 1,430,314.62	\$11,068,470.10	<b>43</b> %	13%	
		\$ 11,052,26	51.79	\$ 4,237,318.72	\$21,035,724.48	38%	<b>20</b> %	
*E	stimated	IFY 03 Usage	e based	d on the 01 totals (6.5	is past 4 year ave	e) mil average (F	FY 02 will end the	ere)
Α	03	\$ 894,09	93.29	\$ 722,834.38	\$ 38,889.31	<b>81</b> %	<b>1859</b> %	Only 2 UICs had 03 Reqnts
В	03	\$ 1,470,00	02.28	\$ 267,390.87	\$ 849,692.00	<b>18</b> %	<b>31</b> %	
С	03	\$ 927,26	57.82	\$ 535,212.44	\$ 1,982,560.48	<b>58</b> %	<b>27</b> %	
D	03	\$ 2,339,28	30.44	\$ 683,159.86	\$ 3,042,429.15	<b>29</b> %	<b>22</b> %	
Е	03	\$ 1,409,45	9.63	\$ 1,056,499.95	\$ 103,695.20	<b>75</b> %	<b>1019</b> %	Only 2 UICs had 03 Reqnts
F	03	\$ 1,684,83	39.96	\$ 1,043,019.25	\$ 2,236,808.24	<b>62</b> %	<b>47</b> %	
G	03	\$ 4,113,98		\$ 2,043,747.94	\$10,598,628.90	<b>50</b> %	<b>19</b> %	
		\$ 12,838,92		\$ 6,351,864.69 eved on 31 Ju	\$18,852,703.28	<b>49</b> %	<b>34</b> %	

<sup>\*1: 90%</sup> exp achieved on 31 Jul 01 turn-in to TRADOC. Being unable to reforecast, we over \$2 mil in 01 since ammo was unable to be "used" by other Army elements.

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D	02	\$ 1,494,049.50	\$ 596,385.71	\$ 2,316,638.60	<b>40</b> %	26%	
D	01	\$ 901,183.02	\$ 683,159.86	\$ 16,264.44	<b>76</b> %	4200%	?? Rollover from RCE-D to TIE-J ack / Failed to get all REQMTS
Ε	03	\$ 1,409,459.63		\$ 103,695.20			?? Only 2 UICs had 03 Reqnts in system (Due DEC 01)
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#### **CURRENT ISSUES NEEDING RESOLVED**

- Need all TASS BN/RTIs on TAMIS-R. There are 3 two day classes scheduled the end of this month. This training is focused on Reg A and E units which currently have no units trained and those units who have "lost" their Ammo Mgr in the remaining Regions due to PCS, retirement, etc. (Reg A/USAR only CM Bn has individual scheduled at this time). If you need to send someone, see me later to coordinate and "lock" reservation. Retraining and training of backup personnel must wait until all units have 1 trained. We anticipate a quarterly 2 day training session at Ft Monroe for replacements/backups beginning 1st qtr 03.
- CM Bns with classes at Ft Leonardwood Are you actually expending ANY items or mererly picking up and turning back in at end of class (???? CM school is only authorized ????)
- 581 processing ensure you enter the complete ASP address for us to forward. We will "notify" each BN/RTI POC when 581s have been processed and shipped (anticipate  $\frac{1}{2}$  day turn-around from when we get them as long as the request is within the authorizations). ALSO, please ensure enough lead time to get back to your ASP.

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